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For: DYEING COMPOSITION CONTAINING )  
A LACCASE AND KERATINOUS FIBRE )  
DYEING METHOD )

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(c), applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the events recited in Section 1.97(b) but, to the undersigned's knowledge, before the mailing date of either a Final action, Quayle action, or a Notice of Allowance. Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), this Information Disclosure Statement is accompanied by a fee of \$180.00 as specified by Section 1.17(p). This Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is being filed as a supplement to the IDS filed on November 1, 2000.

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Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by marking appropriate notations on the attached form.

The following relates to the non-English language documents:

1. **DE 2 155 359**. This document is believed to be related to GB 1 320 250, submitted herewith.
2. **WO 97/04739**. An English language abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found on the first page of the document.
3. **WO 97/04740**. An English language abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found on the first page of the document.
4. **EP 0 512 879 A2**. An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language Derwent Abstract submitted herewith.
5. **DE 37 12005**. This document is believed to be related to U.S. Pat. No 5,143,518, submitted herewith.

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